

ECONOMIC RECOVERY BUDGET

March's fiscal projections were more dire than anything we had ever seen.

Our early budget actions, state and federal relief, and the safe reopening of our economy have dramatically improved our state's fiscal outlook.

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- Immediate tax and economic relief to families and businesses in need
- Record investments in top priorities
- Lays a fiscally responsible foundation for strong recovery

100% BALANCED

WITH <u>NO</u> TAX INCREASES, LAYOFFS, OR CUTS TO ESSENTIAL SERVICES

MAINTAINING RESERVES

- Allows us to preserve AAA bond rating
- Ensures we remain prepared during what could be the most challenging months of the pandemic while still providing relief

THE RELIEF ACT OF 2021 \$1 BILLION

TAX AND STIMULUS RELIEF

We are proposing \$1 billion in tax cuts to help every single retired Marylander.

TAX RELIEF FOR RETIREES

- Expands the Hometown Heroes tax cut to exempt law enforcement, fire and rescue, corrections, and emergency response from state tax on retirement income
- Increases the tax exemption on all military retiree pensions

My top economic priority is ensuring Marylanders can keep more of their hard-earned money in their pockets.

RECORD FUNDING FOR EDUCATION

- Historically high \$7.5 billion for K-12
- \$213 million above and beyond legislative spending formulas
- Every single school system will see increased investment by the state

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- \$375 million from casino lockbox
- \$151 million for targeted tutoring
- \$53 million to expand full-day Pre-K
- \$10 million for BOOST program

We're providing a record \$833 million in additional school construction funding to fulfill every funding request in every jurisdiction.

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- \$411 million for higher ed projects
- Major projects at all HBCUs
- Record funding for community colleges
- Holding the line on tuition increases

INFRASTRUCTURE

- \$1 billion for roads and highways
- \$1 billion for mass transit
- Transformative Howard St Tunnel
 Project

ENVIRONMENT

- Fully funding Chesapeake Bay restoration efforts
- Fully funding Program Open Space
- \$43 million for renewable energy
- \$14 million for energy efficiency

- \$74.6 million for police aid to local governments
- \$43.7 million for local law enforcement grants

 \$5 million to support crime prevention, prosecution, and witness protection in Baltimore City

- \$250 million to provide direct care services to youth and support comprehensive juvenile crime strategy
- \$9.6 million in savings through
 Criminal Justice Reform Act

 \$978 million for mental health and substance abuse programs in response to heroin and opioid epidemic

- Increases funding for local health departments
- Expands resources for developmental disability services and in-home care for the elderly

This budget truly has accomplished the impossible.



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